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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: Akira NAKANO et al.

Appln. No.: 10/786,914

Filed: February 25, 2004

For: PLASMA TREATMENT EQUIPMENT

Attorney Docket No: 9281/4793 (Client Ref. CK US 98034)

Examiner: Alejandro  
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Art Unit: 1763

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

## Attached are:

- ☒ Response to Non-Final Office Action dated August 25, 2006 (6 pages),  
Drawings: Replacement Sheet - Fig. 5 (1 page).
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard.

## Fee calculation:

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+\$360=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

## Fee payment:

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office action of August 25, 2006. The Drawings begin on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 3.